

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

*November 14, 2005
7:00 pm*

*Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road*

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Odermat called the November 14, 2005, Medina City Council meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Mary Odermat, Deputy Mayor Todd Nunn (*arrived 7:12 pm*)
Councilmembers Miles Adam, Drew Blazey, Katie Phelps, Bob Rudolph, and
Pete Vall-Spinosa

City Staff Present: Douglas Schulze, City Manager; Vicki Orrico, Assistant City
Attorney, Ogden Murphy Wallace; Dan Yourkoski, Acting Chief of Police; Joseph
Gellings, Director of Development Services; Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; and
Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant

MEETING AGENDA

Odermat noted item J3, Council Calendar, would be move to position J2, replacing City
Manager Employment Agreement, which would be discussed during Executive Session
and councilmembers acknowledged approval of revised agenda.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Karen Goraski, Executive Director, Suburban Cities Association (SCA) (7:11 pm)

Ms. Goraksi distributed calendar of events for SCA, provided an update regarding
association's reorganization, city representation and revised voting structure and
described SCA role. Ms. Goraski answered questions from Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Odermat recommended the October 10, 2005 Council meeting minutes clearly identify
applicant and project address referenced under Development Services report regarding
Planning Commission's October 4, 2005 construction mitigation plan public hearing.

MOTION ADAM AND SECOND PHELPS TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- Corrected October 10, 2005 Council Meeting Minutes
- October 24, 2005 Study Session Minutes
- October 2005 Checks/Finance Officer's Report

MOTION PASSED 7-0, 7:22 PM.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

(Non-agenda items, three-minutes per person)

Henry Paulman, 1415 – 80th Avenue Northeast, Medina (7:22 pm)

Mr. Paulman expressed opinion for open government and suggested Council allow citizen comment regarding Northeast Eighth Street sidewalk proposal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor (7:28 pm)

Odermat announced:

- Congratulations to candidates that prevailed in the election, incumbents Dr. Robert Rudolph and Drew Blazey and newly elected Lucius Biglow and Jim Lawrence.
- The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) regional meeting would be held Tuesday, November 15th, at Seattle City Hall.
- The Emergency Management Committee meeting would be held Wednesday, November 16th, at 4:00 pm at City Hall, and Puget Sound Energy representatives will provide a presentation on natural gas and electricity safety.
- The Suburban Cities Association annual dinner meeting would be held Wednesday, November 16th at 5:30 pm, at the Tukwila Embassy Suites and this year's guest will be broadcaster and writer, Pat Cashman.
- The Eastside Transportation Partnership Meeting would be held Friday, November 18th at 7:30 am at Unigard.
- The Washington State Department, State Route 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Project Executive Committee would meet December 14th from 9:00 to 11:00 am at the Museum of History and Industry to compare four and six lane options and discuss discipline reports, which will lead to the draft Environmental Impact Statement, due in May 2006; the preferred alternative expected to be identified prior to start of the 2006 Legislative Session.
- The City of Medina received a 2005 Distinguished Budget award from the Washington Finance Officer's Association for the second consecutive year.

Council

No announcements.

Staff

No announcements.

REPORTS

Police Department (7:31 pm)

Yourkoski updated the Council regarding recent burglaries and campaign sign thefts. Yourkoski conveyed the Ronald McDonald Benefit Dinner and Auction, held November 5th at the Overlake Golf and Country Club, raised over \$90,000. He indicated the department has continued to look into costs and feasibility options for security cameras and announced Officer Dave Obermiller resigned effective November 12th and accepted a position with the Puyallup Police Department.

At Blazey's request, Yourkoski agreed to put speed-monitoring board on Overlake Drive between 84th and 81st Avenues and to increase patrol emphasis during the day to enforce speed limit.

Development Services (7:42 pm)

Prompted by recent public inquiry, Gellings updated the Council regarding animal control code.

Public Works Department (7:46 pm)

Willis spoke of the department's need for a seasonal employee in order to attend to summer responsibilities and park improvements. He indicated the proposed irrigation system for 24th would reduce hand-watering time performed by staff and allow time to be redirected to other tasks.

Willis updated the Council regarding bids for upcoming projects, including: playground improvement site preparation, storm drain repair, and City Hall trash enclosure rebuild.

Willis answered questions regarding the city's storm drain system and routine maintenance, and the Ridge Road storm drain repair project.

Emergency Management Committee (7:53 pm)

Schulze said he met with Dr. Kropp, November 10th, and with representatives from St. Thomas Church and School and Bellevue Christian High School to discuss the cooperative use of facilities for storage of emergency supplies and for use of space

during emergency response efforts. Schulze indicated the organizations were receptive and draft agreements would be created.

Park Board (7:55 pm)

No report.

City Manager (7:55 pm)

Schulze answered inquiry regarding speed humps proposed for 83rd Avenue and indicated each resident located on street would be contacted and asked for a written statement regarding the proposal. Schulze agreed to keep the Council apprised of neighbor responses.

PUBLIC HEARING

2006 Budget and Property Tax Levy (8:00 pm)

Schulze provided a visual presentation of the 2006 budget and reviewed Council's 2006 budget directives and key policies. Discussion followed.

Willis answered inquiries regarding cost estimates for City Hall facility preservation and department workload efficiencies, including routine maintenance and improvement projects. Willis conveyed he could provide and Council expressed interest in receiving a report during the Study Session, identifying workload sacrifice, which would result from not hiring a half-time, seasonal employee.

Mayor called for a break at 9:05 pm, and the meeting was called back to order at 9:16 pm.

Mayor opened public hearing to allow public comment, 9:16 pm.

Wilma Edmonds, 7721 Northeast 24th Street, Medina (9:17 pm)

Ms. Edmonds commented about upkeep of streets and open areas, particularly 24th Street; and indicated she does not complain about it, especially 24th Street.

Odermat closed public hearing, 9:19 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ordinance Setting Property Tax Levy for 2006 (9:19 pm)

Schulze provided three property tax levy options for Council review and following discussion, Council adopted option three.

MOTION NUNN AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO APPROVE ORDINANCE CERTIFYING 2006 PROPERTY TAX LEVY INCREASE OF ONE-PERCENT, MOTION PASSED 5-2, ADAM AND BLAZEY OPPOSED, 9:47 PM.

Council Calendar (9:48 pm)

Discussion followed.

MOTION BLAZEY AND SECOND RUDOLPH TO EXTEND MEETING THIRTY MINUTES, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 10:01 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (10:01 pm)

Council recessed into Executive Session to discuss city manager employment agreement and a personnel matter. The meeting adjourned following Executive Session and no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION AND SECOND, TO ADJOURN NOVEMBER 14, 2005 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEDINA CITY COUNCIL, MOTION PASSED WITH ALL IN FAVOR, 10:30 PM.

The November 14, 2005, Regular Meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned at 10:30 pm.

The City Council Study Session will be held, Monday, November 28, 2005, 7:00 pm.

Mayor, Mary Odermat

Attest:

Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant